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Washington 25, D. C.

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Attention: Mr. Warner

Dear Sir:

This is a follow-up of our telephone conversation concerning a Congressman's request for certain bulletins prepared by the Foreign Broadcast Analysis Section of the FCC. The full text of Congressman's letter reads:

I would appreciate it very much if the Legislative Reference Section of the Library of Congress would make an effort to secure for my perusal some reports that were compiled under the direction of [redacted] who was during World War II, Chief of the Analysis Section of the Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service of the FCC. The subject of these reports is the Katyn Forest Massacre incident, and contain the opinions of the above-mentioned section with regard to facts and evidence available at the time the graves of the Polish officers were discovered by the Germans near Smolensk, Russia, in April, 1943. The reports I am interested in would be subsequent to that date.

It is my information that the Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service of the FCC became a part of the Central Intelligence Agency, shortly after that agency came into being in 1947, and records of the period in question are not now available through that branch of the CIA.

We have ascertained from the National Archives that the bulletins of April 23, 30, and May 7, 14, and 20, 1943 are the desired issues. We are also informed that the National Archives will make photostats of these bulletins available for the Congressman, if it is cleared by your office.

This constitutes a formal request for the same.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest S. Griffin  
Director